



**Response Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116**  
**Expedited Procedure Examining**  
**Examining Group 2638**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicants:** Casimer M. DeCusatis, et al.

**Examiner:** Hanh Phan

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**Art Unit:** 2638

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**For:** METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
DISPERSION CONTROL OF  
ELECTROMAGNETIC SIGNALS  
IN COMMUNICATION NETWORKS

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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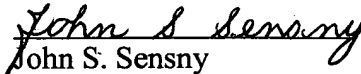
In response to the Office Action of July 27, 2005, the Examiner rejected Claims 1-18, which are all of the pending claims, under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting.

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More specifically, Claims 1-18 were rejected, under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting, as being unpatentable over claims in each of the following:

U.S. Patent Applications Nos. 09/865,256, 09/964,190, 09/975,266, 09/963,258, 09/944,271, 09/893,125 and 09/976,542; and

U.S. Patent Nos. 6,738,187, 6,643,424, 6,751,014, 6,724,786, 6,674,936, 6,654,152, 6,597,840 and 6,816,517.


The Office Action indicates that Terminal Disclaimers may be used to overcome these double patenting rejections.

In order to expedite an allowance of this application, Applicants are submitting herewith Terminal Disclaimers to overcome the above-identified double patenting rejections.

These Terminal Disclaimers put the application in condition for allowance without further amendment or argument. The Examiner is thus respectfully requested to enter these Terminal Disclaimers, to reconsider and to withdraw the double patenting rejections of Claims 1-18, and to allow these claims.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference with Applicants' Attorneys would be advantageous to the disposition of this case, the Examiner is asked to telephone the undersigned.

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Enclosures: Fifteen (15) Terminal Disclaimers